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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Jacob A. Flagle et al.

Appln. No.: 10/736,047

Filed: December 15, 2003

For: GUIDEWIRE WITH FLEXIBLE TIP

Examiner: Jonathan ML Foreman

Art Unit: 3736

Attorney Docket No: 8627/44 (PA-5464-RFB)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in dup.); Amendment and Response; Request for Continued Examination (in dup.)
☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
☐ Small Entity.
☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(____).
☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
Indep.		Minus			X100=			x \$200=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+ \$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

Fee payment:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed.
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,


Timothy J. Le Duc (Reg. No. 54,745)

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Date



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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):☐ Previously submitted:☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.☐ Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____☐ Other: _____☒ Attached is/are:☐ An Information Disclosure Statement☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability☒ Other: Transmittal Letter (in dup.); Return Post Card with sufficient postage

☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

☐ Small Entity Status:

☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. _____ / _____ and such status is still proper and desired.

☐ Is no longer desired.

☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

☒ A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

☐ A suspension processing fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

☐ An additional filing fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (_____ additional independent claims and/or _____ additional total claims).

☐ An extension fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a _____-month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

☒ A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed.

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

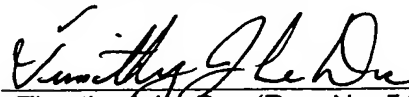
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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

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